

**GULF SHORES CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
ANNUAL BOARD MEETING
MAY 10, 2018 – 5:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES**

1. Call To Order

President Kevin S. Corcoran called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM at the City Hall.

2. Reflection

President Kevin S. Corcoran paused for a minute of reflection.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

On roll call the following answered present:

President **Kevin S. Corcoran**

Vice President **Dr. Nichole Gotschall**

Secretary **Kelly Walker**

Board Member **Dr. Ralph Gold**

Board Member **Dale Jernigan**

Absent: None

Also in attendance:

Nash Campbell, Board Attorney

Dr. Matt Akin, Incoming School Board Superintendent – Via Telephone Conference

Jean McCutchen, School Board Financial Consultant

Tobi Waters, Interim School Board Clerk was present and took minutes

5. Adoption of the Agenda

President Kevin S. Corcoran presented the agenda for discussion. Board Member Dr. Ralph Gold made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Board Member Dale Jernigan seconded the motion; and the vote of those members present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

6. Opening Announcements

President Kevin S. Corcoran thanked everyone who was in attendance; greeted Dr. Matt Akin, stating he was joining the meeting via telephone.

a. Discussion of Superintendent Start Date and Process

President Kevin S. Corcoran stated Dr. Matt Akin's contract had been finalized and he would assume the role as Gulf Shores City Superintendent June 1st, his contract is a 3 year term and can be extended if mutual by both parties.

b. Discussion of Gulf Shores City Schools start date of 2019

State School Board Superintendent Dr. Ed Richardson ruled the start date of the Gulf Shores City Schools would be 2019. President Kevin S. Corcoran reported interim School Board Superintendent Suzanne Freeman when hired according to Alabama state code could only serve 180 days; therefore the Gulf Shores City School Board of Education proceeded in hiring Dr. Matt Akin to serve as the permanent superintendent.

7. Approval of Minutes

a. Special Board Meeting – April 27, 2018

President Kevin S. Corcoran presented the minutes from the April 27, 2018 Special Board Meeting. Board Member Dr. Ralph Gold made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Vice President Nichole Gotschall seconded the motion; and the vote of those members present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

b. Work Session Meeting – May 3, 2018

President Kevin S. Corcoran presented the minutes from the May 3, 2018 Work Session Meeting. Board Member Dale Jernigan made a motion to approve the minutes as

presented. Vice President Nichole Gotschall seconded the motion; and the vote of those members present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

8. Public Comment

No public comments at this time.

In recognition of Teacher Appreciation Week, President Kevin S. Corcoran acknowledged school faculty members who were in attendance and thanked them for the jobs they do.

9. Discussion Items

President Kevin S. Corcoran announced Board Member Dale Jernigan had been reappointed by the City Council to serve a 5 year term on the Gulf Shores City Board of Education.

a. Election of Officers

At this time, Board Attorney Nash Campbell announced at the Annual Meeting held every May the Board is to elect a new President and Vice President. After selection of a Board President, he or she would then proceed over the meeting. Mr. Campbell opened the floor for nominations for Board President, Vice President Nichole Gotschall nominated President Kevin S. Corcoran to again serve as President, with no other nominations, Board Member Dr. Ralph Gold motioned to close the nominations and vote for President Kevin S. Corcoran to again serve as President. Board Member Dale Jernigan seconded the motion; and the vote of those members present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

President Kevin S. Corcoran opened the floor for nominations for Vice President, Board Member Dale Jernigan nominated Vice President Nichole Gotschall to again serve as Vice President, with no other nominations, Board Member Kelly Walker motioned to close the nominations and vote for Vice President Nichole Gotschall to again serve as Vice President. Board Member Dr. Ralph Gold seconded the motion; and the vote of those members present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

b. Appointment – Coastal Baldwin Educational Enrichment Foundation Board of Directors

President Kevin S. Corcoran announced Kelly Sims of the Coastal Baldwin Educational Enrichment Foundation Board had invited the school board to appoint a non-voting representative to their Board. President Kevin S. Corcoran asked if any of the Board's members would like to volunteer for the position, Board Member Dale Jernigan excitedly volunteered for the position.

10. Greetings from Dr. Matt Akin

Dr. Matt Akin greeted everyone, stated he was thankful to be selected as the first Superintendent to serve on the Gulf Shores City Board of Education. He then gave a brief talk on projects he was already thinking about for when he starts June 1st.

11. Scheduling of Meetings

- a. Work Session Meeting – Thursday, June 7, 2018 – 1:00 p.m.
- b. Regular Board Meeting – Thursday, June 14, – 5:00 p.m.

12. Attorney Client Privilege

Board Member Dr. Ralph Gold motioned the Board recess into Executive Session to:

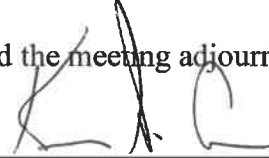
- a) Discuss potential contracts with our attorney/full update on separation agreement.

The Board Attorney approved the reasons stated for going into Executive Session and stated they are acceptable reasons under the Alabama Open Meetings Act as amended.

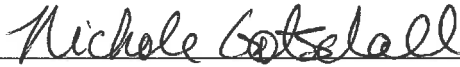
Board Member Dale Jernigan seconded the motion; and a roll call vote of those members present was taken with all unanimously in favor of the motion whereupon the Board recessed into Executive session at approximately 5:23 p.m. for approximately thirty minutes. The Board returned from Executive Session at approximately 6:59 p.m. and resumed the board meeting.

With no further business to come before the Board, Board Member Dale Jernigan made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Vice President Nichole Gotschall; and the vote of those members present was unanimously in favor of the motion.

President Kevin S. Corcoran declared the meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.



Kevin S. Corcoran, School Board President



Dr. Nichole Gotschall, School Board Vice President



Kelly Walker, School Board Secretary



Dr. Ralph Gold, School Board Member



Dale Jernigan, School Board Member

DATE APPROVED:

